Customer Report





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Recycling Helps Keep Baltimore Clean



The Baltimore City Department of Public Works (DPW) provides weekly curbside collection of mixed refuse and recycling from 210,000 households throughout Baltimore City. Unfortunately, there are still too many trash cans filled with items that can be recycled. Less than

one of every five households recycle. I am committed to growing this number.

Recycling makes Baltimore's neighborhoods stronger! When communities take advantage of recycling services, they create cleaner neighborhoods and protect the environment. Much of the litter that you see in City streets and alleys should have been pitched into a recycling container. Plus, recycling reduces household waste, making your weekly trash collection day much more manageable.

DPW strives to make recycling as easy as 1, 2, 3:

- Use any container you want to hold your recycling

 just no plastic bags. Plastic bags jam the
 machines at the recycling plant. You can use a paper
 bag, cardboard box, old laundry basket, or trash can
 clearly labeled for recycling.
 - (You don't need a bright yellow bin with the City emblem on it to recycle!)

- 2. Fill your container with any of the approved materials. Our Single Stream Recycling Program allows paper, cardboard, glass, aluminum, and plastic in the same recycling container. View the Single Stream Recycling Guide at:
 - public works. baltimore city. gov/recycling-services.
- **3.** Place your recycling container in the same location as your weekly trash pick-up.

To find your recycle day, call 311 or look online at http://cityview.baltimorecity.gov/.

Many items that cannot be included in curbside recycling can be recycled at Citizens' Convenience Centers. These items include electronics, steel, white goods, tires, and rigid plastics. DPW has been notified that the free polystyrene recycling service, located at the Northwest Citizens Convenience Center on Sisson Street, will be discontinued as of Monday, May 21.

For more information, visit publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/recycling-services or call the DPW Office of Recycling at **(410) 396-4511**.

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Simple Steps For Sanitation Success

It's easy to keep your home clean. Start with your green municipal trash can. Lift the lid, put in your bags of trash, drop the lid, and wheel it out the night before your pickup. The permanent trash cans placed on busy City streets are no place for household trash!

Your DPW Solid Waste crews will also take up to five bags of yard

waste each week. Just set the bags of fallen leaves and branches out with your trash. Consider leaving mowed grass on your lawn. Grasscycling can help your lawn while saving space in the landfill.

Getting rid of something big appliances, furniture, and tires? Our bulk removal service lets you schedule free removal *cont'd on pg. 2*



UPCOMING EVENTS



RECYCLING BIN SALE, FREE SHREDDING, SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 9AM TO 1PM

Free paper shredding for city residents, who can bring up to two 32-gallon bags of documents.
Recycling bins on sale: \$7 for a large bin, \$3 for a lid, and \$4 for a small bin. Location: Edmondson Westside High School, 501 N. Athol Ave.

INDEPENDENCE HOLIDAY DISCOUNT RECYCLE BIN SALE SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 9AM TO 1PM

32nd Street Farmers Market, Waverly. Recycling bins on sale: \$7 for a large bin, \$3 for a lid, and \$4 for a small bin.

DAM JAM AT LAKE MONTEBELLO, SATURDAY, AUG. 25, 9AM TO 3PM

Join DPW for a fun-filled day of music, food, and water history at Lake Montebello! This is your opportunity to tour the Montebello Water Filtration Plant. Check the DPW website for more information: publicworks.baltimorecity.gov.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION FIRST FRIDAY/SATURDAY, APRIL - OCTOBER

During the first Friday/Saturday of each month, items like oil-based paints, pesticides, herbicides and household batteries can be safely disposed at 2840 Sisson Street. The hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., June - August; and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in September and October.

Get Training...Grow Your Business

Enrollment is now open for the 2018 DPW Small Business Development Training Program. Now in its third year, the 10 week training program was designed to assist local Minority/Women/ Disadvantaged Owned Business Enterprises in becoming contract ready for more than \$3 billion in

utility construction work, including Consent Decree sewer rehabilitation and replacement, and capital improvements under drinking water, storm water, and wastewater programs. Classes will be held at the Pumping and

Maintenance Building at Lake Montebello from Sept. 6 to Nov. 15. The cost is \$199.00 and includes training materials and meals. To apply, visit publicworks.baltimorecity.gov, email sbd@baltimorecity.gov,



or call 410-433-2400.

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of up to three items each month. Call 311 or visit 311 online to schedule a bulk item collection. All items must be clearly marked "bulk collection," and placed at the same location as regular trash pickup. Residents with a rear pickup should leave items at the end of the yard and leave the gate unlocked.

Can't wait for our crews to come to you? Try to DIY at one of our Citizens' Convenience Centers. We handle electronics, furniture, appliances, scrap metal, and more. We even take household hazardous waste on the first Friday and Saturday of every month, April through October.

If you've hired a small commercial hauler to take it away, make sure they know about our small hauler program at the Northwest Transfer Station, 5030 Reisterstown Road. They can use this facility instead of going all the way to the landfill. That helps haulers get back to business sooner, and helps keep our City clean. Learn more at **publicworks**. **baltimorecity.gov/solid-waste**.

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